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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to a Final Office Action mailed on August 28, 2007. The Office Action sets a three month period for the filing of a response. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

A Request For Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed herewith. The Office is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 19-0365 for the RCE fee.

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